

## PUBLIC NOTICE RE: CLOSING OF THE U.S. DISTRICT AND BANKRUPTCY COURTS DUE TO TROPICAL STORM ERNESTO

In accordance with a directive of Chief United States District Judge William J. Zloch, the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida and the United States Bankruptcy Court will be closed beginning Tuesday, August 29, 2006 through Wednesday, August 30, 2006.

These closures affect the Bankruptcy Court's operations in Miami, Fort Lauderdale and West Palm Beach which will be closed to the public and the after-hours filing depositories will not be accessible.

All court hearings scheduled during this period are cancelled and will be rescheduled. In addition, any § 341 meeting of creditors scheduled before the trustee or US trustee in a bankruptcy case in this district is also cancelled and will be rescheduled at a later date.

The courts are expected to resume normal business operations on Thursday, August 31, 2006; however, the public is advised to continue to check the court's website at <a href="www.flsb.uscourts.gov">www.flsb.uscourts.gov</a> and listen to all local news broadcasts for information on the status of federal court operations.